

NEW MEXICO PUBLIC SCHOOLS INSURANCE AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

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Thursday, May 6, 2021

1. Call to Order

Mr. Al Park, NMPSIA Board President, called the NMPSIA Board Meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, May 6, 2021.

2. Roll Call

Ms. Pamela M. Vigil, called roll.

Present via virtual meeting/telephonic meeting:

Alfred Park, President
Chris Parrino, Vice-President (arrived after rollcall)
Pauline Jaramillo, Secretary
Denise Balderas
Tim Crone
Bethany Jarrell
Sammy Quintana
David Martinez Jr.
Trish Ruiz (appointed to NMPSIA Board after rollcall)
Ricky Williams

Absent:

K.T. Manis

Staff Members Present via virtual/telephonic meeting:

Richard Valerio, Executive Director
Patrick Sandoval, Deputy Director
Martha Quintana, Chief Financial Officer
Melissa Rael, Human Resource/Finance Manager
Pamela Vigil, Risk Program Coordinator
Claudette Roybal, Chief Procurement Officer
Katherine Chavez, Benefits/Wellness Operations Manager

Audience present via virtual/telephonic meeting:

Martin Esquivel	Esquivel & Howington
Ellen Clark	PFM
Connor Jorgensen	LFC
Joseph Simon	LESC
Sean Barham	LCPS
David Poms	Poms & Assoc.
Julie Garcia	Poms & Assoc.
Larry Vigil	Poms & Assoc.
Tammy Pargas	Poms & Assoc.
Rika Martinez	Poms & Assoc.
Richard Cangioli	CCMSI
Louise Carpenter	CCMSI
Kim Trimble	CCMSI
Kevin Sovereign	CCMSI
Jerry Mayo	CCMSI
Steve Vanetsky	CCMSI
Dr. Nura Patani	Segal
Sam Garcia	Davis Vision
Cathy Fenner	Davis Vision
Rich Bolstad	Delta Dental
Steve Valdez	Presbyterian
Lia Gainey	Presbyterian
Kathy Payanes	Erisa
Lourdes Rael	Erisa
Magdiel Barrios	Erisa
Lisa Guevara	BCBS
Marlene Mier	BCBS
Jeanine Patterson	BCBS
Maureen Sergel	BCBS
Jon Molberg	Express Scripts
Greg Archuleta	The Standard
Jennifer Oswald	The Standard
Michele Blackwell	

3. Introduction of Guests

There were no guests.

4. Citizens to Address the Board (five- minute time limit)

There were no citizens to address the Board.

5. Approval of the Agenda (Action Item)

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION: P. Jaramillo

SECONDED: S. Quintana

A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Vigil called roll:

Denise Balderas – Yes
Tim Crone – Yes
Pauline Jaramillo – Yes
Bethany Jarrell – Yes
David Martinez Jr. – Yes
Sammy Quintana – Yes
Ricky Williams – Yes
Chris Parrino – Not present for vote.
Alfred Park - Yes

Vote carried.

6. Approval of April 8, 2021 Virtual Board Minutes (Action Item)

A motion was made to approve the April 8, 2021 Virtual Board Minutes as presented.

MOTION: T. Crone

SECONDED: D. Martinez Jr.

A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Vigil called roll:

Denise Balderas – Yes
Tim Crone – Yes
Pauline Jaramillo – Yes
Bethany Jarrell – Yes
David Martinez Jr. – Yes
Sammy Quintana – Yes
Ricky Williams – Yes
Chris Parrino – Not present for vote.
Alfred Park – Yes

Vote carried.

7. Administrative Matters

7. A Appointment of NMPSIA Board Member to Represent the Participating Educational Entities (Action Item)

Mr. Richard Valerio, Executive Director, New Mexico Public Schools Insurance Authority (NMPSIA) explained the process to appoint a NMPSIA Board Member to represent the

Participating Educational Entities. Mr. Valerio stated staff has solicited recommendations and resumes from NMPSIA's participating entities. He indicated staff received recommendations from Eastern New Mexico University for Ms. Trish Ruiz, Hobbs Municipal Schools for Ms. Trish Ruiz, Las Cruces Public Schools for Mr. Sean Barham, Northern New Mexico College for Dr. Ivan Lopez-Hurtado, Western New Mexico University for Ms. Kelley Riddle, and an email for consideration of Ms. Jo Ann Salome, NM Tech.

Mr. Martin Esquivel, NMPSIA General Counsel explained the process of selecting a Board Member to represent the Participating Entities.

Mr. Park opened it up for discussion amongst the NMPSIA Board.

Mr. Tim Crone stated Ms. Ruiz served on the NMPSIA Board for four years and she is extremely committed to this Board. He stated he was pleased with all the candidates and their resumes were impressive.

Mr. David Martinez Jr. asked Mr. Sammy Quintana if there has ever been a regent on the Board.

Mr. Quintana stated he did not recall if there has been a regent on the Board.

Mr. Martinez Jr. stated a regent is a Governor Appointee. He questioned if this would constitute as a fourth Governor Appointee.

Mr. Park stated this individual would not be appointed by the Governor, but rather the NMPSIA Board.

Mr. Esquivel agreed with Mr. Park's comments with respect to a Governor Appointee.

Mr. Park stated it is important to bring someone in with experience with Higher Educational Institutions. He stated what stood out, was that Ms. Ruiz brings both the Higher Ed as a Regent at Eastern New Mexico as well as her on the ground hands on educational background and experience. Mr. Park stated he believes Ms. Ruiz would be an excellent re-addition to the Board.

Mr. Quintana stated he knew two of the candidates, Ms. Riddle and Ms. Ruiz. He indicated that both candidates are extremely impressive. Mr. Quintana spoke of Ms. Ruiz's dedication and commitment to the NMPSIA Board in the past.

Mr. Park asked if there was any further discussion.

Mr. Tim Crone made a motion to nominate Ms. Trish Ruiz for the vacant position on the Board.

Ms. Pauline Jaramillo seconded the motion to nominate Ms. Trish Ruiz.

Mr. Park asked if there was any further discussion and if there were any more nominations.

Mr. Ricky Williams made a motion to close nominations.

Mr. David Martinez Jr. seconded the motion to close nominations.

Ms. Vigil called roll to close nominations.

Denise Balderas – Yes
Tim Crone – Yes
Pauline Jaramillo – Yes
Bethany Jarrell – Yes
David Martinez Jr. – Yes
Sammy Quintana – Yes
Ricky Williams – Yes
Chris Parrino – Not present for vote.
Alfred Park – Yes

Vote carried.

Mr. Park stated the nominations have closed.

Ms. Vigil took a roll-call vote to appoint Ms. Trish Ruiz to the NMPSIA Board.

Denise Balderas – Yes
Tim Crone – Yes
Pauline Jaramillo – Yes
Bethany Jarrell – Yes
David Martinez Jr. – Yes
Sammy Quintana – Yes
Ricky Williams – Yes
Chris Parrino – Not present for vote.
Alfred Park – Yes

Vote carried.

Mr. Park congratulated Ms. Ruiz on her appointment. Mr. Park inquired if Ms. Ruiz can join the Board immediately.

Mr. Esquivel stated she could join immediately.

Ms. Ruiz thanked the Board for placing their faith in her, and stated she looks forward to working with NMPSIA.

Mr. Quintana asked if the appointment term of three years should be included in this motion.

Mr. Valerio stated this is subject to statute, and the process will be repeated in three years.

7. B Legislative Update

Mr. Valerio presented the Legislative Bill Tracker to the NMPSIA Board.

Mr. Valerio reported NMPSIA has been receiving a lot of questions from Superintendents with respect to HB4 (Civil Rights Act). He stated a call was held with the Superintendents to discuss HB4. Mr. Valerio informed them they are covered, and it is very similar coverage to a Civil Rights Claim filed in Federal Court, the only difference is cap of \$2 million per claim. There is no need for schools to go out and purchase any additional liability coverage. Mr. Valerio stated there will be communication going out to clarify this information.

Mr. Valerio stated another issue brought up by Mr. Martinez Jr. is discussions with respect to resolutions for transgender athletes. He stated at this time there is not a big exposure to NMPSIA, and it is still being decided on by the courts. Mr. Valerio stated staff will continue to monitor this situation.

7. C COVID-19 Update

Mr. Valerio reported through the end of March there are a total of 45,732 claims for testing, treatment and vaccines for a total spend of \$13.7 million dollars. Mr. Valerio stated the vaccine spend is \$235,461 through the end of March 2021. He stated there have been 2,899 members that have received both doses of the vaccine and 1,846 members that have received one dose of the vaccine. Mr. Valerio stated in addition to this, staff is currently trying to pursue reimbursement for federal funding. A call is set up with FEMA to discuss this possibility.

7. D NMPSIA Rules and Regulations

Mr. Valerio stated staff will be meeting with Mr. Esquivel to review the NMPSIA Rules and Regulations. He indicated one of the items they will review is the date of the annual meeting in addition to some outdated rules. Mr. Valerio asked if any Board members would like to participate in a committee to review the rules and regulations to let him know.

7. E Changes to Board/Commission Meeting Rates

Mr. Valerio reported on the changes to board/commission meeting rates because of the passage of SB 345. Mr. Valerio stated an in-person meeting four hours or longer, will remain at a \$95.00 stipend, if it is less than four hours it will be \$45.00 and virtual meetings are \$45.00 per meeting. Mr. Valerio reported in addition to this, mileage and per-diem rates have changed. In state per-diem is \$85.00, within the Santa Fe area is \$135.00, and out of state is \$115.00 per night. He also reviewed partial per-diem rates.

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

8. A Financial Reports for March 2021 (Action Item)

Mr. Sandoval reviewed the statement of revenues and expenditures for the Employee Benefits Fund for the period 3/1/2021 through 3/31/2021. The Benefits Fund had revenues in the amount of \$27,252,187.77; expenditures in the amount of \$27,230,959.44; resulting in a gain of \$21,228.33.

Mr. Sandoval reviewed the statement of revenues and expenditures for the Risk Fund for the period 3/1/2021 through 3/31/2021. The Risk Fund had revenues in the amount of \$7,054,097.17; expenditures in the amount of \$7,552,016.29; resulting in a loss of \$497,919.12.

Mr. Sandoval reviewed the statement of revenues and expenditures for the Program Support Fund for the period 3/1/2021 through 3/31/2021. The Program Support Fund had revenues in the amount of \$116,750; expenditures in the amount of \$112,303.50; resulting in a gain of \$4,446.50.

Mr. Sandoval reviewed the balance sheet for the period 3/1/2021 through 3/31/2021. Program Support had total assets of \$1,112,718.04, total liabilities of \$267,630.24, and fund equity of \$845,087.80. Employee Benefits had total assets of \$69,222,018.39, total liabilities of \$30,793,520.75, and fund equity of \$38,428,497.64. Risk had assets of \$117,719,809.55, total liabilities of \$121,215,202.04, and a total fund equity loss of \$3,495,392.49. Total assets for the agency were \$188,054,545.98, and total liabilities of \$152,276,353.03. Combined fund equity for the agency was \$35,778,192.95.

A motion was made to approve the Financial Reports for March 2021 as presented.

MOTION: D. Martinez Jr.

SECONDED: T. Ruiz

A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Vigil called roll:

Denise Balderas – Yes
Tim Crone – Not present for vote.
Pauline Jaramillo – Yes
Bethany Jarrell – Yes
David Martinez Jr. – Yes
Sammy Quintana – Yes
Ricky Williams – Yes
Chris Parrino – Not present for vote.
Alfred Park - Yes

Vote carried.

8. B FY2022 Operating Budget (Action Item)

Mr. Sandoval stated the FY2022 Operating Budget is equal to HB2 Section 4, Appropriation of \$428,337,400.00 and Section 8 which provides a 1.5% increase for the Classified and Exempt employees compensation Package in the amount of \$18,900 as well as an increase to Other Financing Uses from Benefits and Risk, for a total of \$18,900 to fund the Personnel Services Increases for a total of \$428,375,200.00. Mr. Sandoval stated it is the recommendation of the Internal Fiscal Review Committee to approve this item.

A motion was made to approve the FY2022 Operating Budget.

MOTION: T. Ruiz

SECONDED: P. Jaramillo

A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Vigil called roll:

Denise Balderas – Yes
Tim Crone – Not present for vote.
Pauline Jaramillo – Yes
Bethany Jarrell – Yes
David Martinez Jr. – Yes
Sammy Quintana – Yes
Ricky Williams – Yes
Chris Parrino – Not present for vote.
Alfred Park - Yes

Vote carried.

8. C Approval of Budget Adjustment Request – Risk Fund (Action Item)

Mr. Sandoval stated staff would like to request a Budget Adjustment Request (BAR) of \$2 million dollars for Risk. He stated staff is currently projecting to end with a positive balance of \$4 million dollars, however with the recent uptick in property claims, staff would like the increase just to be safe. He explained that any unexpended amount will revert to the Fund Balance at the end of Fiscal Year. Mr. Sandoval stated it is the recommendation of the Internal Fiscal Review Committee to approve this item.

A motion was made to approve the Budget Adjustment Request.

MOTION: S. Quintana

SECONDED: D. Martinez Jr.

A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Vigil called roll:

Denise Balderas – Yes

Tim Crone – Not present for vote.
Pauline Jaramillo – Yes
Bethany Jarrell – Yes
David Martinez Jr. – Yes
Sammy Quintana – Yes
Ricky Williams – Yes
Chris Parrino – Not present for vote.
Alfred Park - Yes

Vote carried.

8. D Approval of Budget Adjustment Request – Benefits Fund (Action Item)

Mr. Sandoval stated at this time a BAR for Benefits is not needed, however staff would like approval to submit a BAR if needed as staff monitors claims. He stated the BAR deadline is May 14, 2021 and this would give staff two weeks to monitor any high dollar claims. Mr. Sandoval stated it is the recommendation of the Internal Fiscal Review Committee to approve this item.

A motion was made to approve the Budget Adjustment Request.

MOTION: T. Ruiz

SECONDED: B. Jarrell

A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Vigil called roll:

Denise Balderas – Yes
Tim Crone – Yes
Pauline Jaramillo – Yes
Bethany Jarrell – Yes
David Martinez Jr. – Yes
Sammy Quintana – Yes
Ricky Williams – Yes
Chris Parrino – Not present for vote.
Alfred Park - Yes

Vote carried.

8. E Amendment to Facility Maintenance Services Agreement (Action Item)

Mr. Sandoval stated staff would like to request an amendment to the Facility Maintenance Services Agreement to allow the contractor to purchase supplies and materials approved by the Executive Director or the Deputy Director if itemized receipts are submitted. Mr. Sandoval stated it is the recommendation of the Internal Fiscal Review Committee to approve this item.

A motion was made to approve the Amendment to the Facility Maintenance Services Agreement.

MOTION: D. Martinez Jr.

SECONDED: T. Ruiz

A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Vigil called roll:

Denise Balderas – Yes

Tim Crone – Yes

Pauline Jaramillo – Yes

Bethany Jarrell – Yes

David Martinez Jr. – Yes

Sammy Quintana – Yes

Ricky Williams – Yes

Chris Parrino – Not present for vote.

Alfred Park - Yes

Vote carried.

8. F Investment Performance Review for the Quarter Ended March 31, 2021 and Rebalancing of Long-Term Investments (Action Item)

Ms. Ellen Clark, PFM provided the Performance Review for the quarter ended March 31, 2021. She reported the investment markets have been exciting over the last 15 months and both of NMPSIA's portfolios have done quite well.

Ms. Clark reported the US Stock Markets and the International Stock Markets have done extraordinarily well over the last 12 months. She reported after the recession induced by the pandemic, equities have rebounded significantly. Ms. Clark reported the Russel 3000 Index was up 6.35% for the quarter and 62.5% for the year. Ms. Clark reported the Market on a year-to-date basis through yesterday is up 11.2%, so there is a continued rally in US Stocks.

Ms. Clark reviewed the Russel 2000 Value Index and the Russel 2000 Index. She reported the Small Cap Stocks have done very well on a year-to-date basis.

Ms. Clark stated PFM does anticipate stocks will continue to do better than bonds. She stated PFM is looking for stocks to have a 6.5% to a 7% return.

Ms. Clark went on to review International Stocks and Fixed Income Markets in detail.

Ms. Clark stated staff does expect the Fed Funds Rate to remain low as the Federal Reserve continues to report the economy.

Ms. Clark reported the Benefits Fund has a value as of March 31, 2021 of about \$25.3 million dollars and the return for the quarter is well ahead of the blended benchmark at 2.5%. On a Fiscal Year to Date basis about a 19.7% return, which is well ahead of the benchmark at 15.5%. She reported on a trailing one-year basis a 35.5% return versus the market at 29.5%.

Ms. Clark reported since inception, there has been about a 7.7% annualized rate of return.

Ms. Clark reviewed the asset allocation of the portfolio. She stated the rebalance recommendation is to take money out of the Domestic Equity and shift funds into International Equity. She reported International Equities are a little cheaper than US Stocks right now. Ms. Clark stated PFM feels there is more value there. Ms. Clark stated staff wants to keep the portfolio overweight equities versus fixed income because of the outlook for very low interest rates on a going forward basis.

Ms. Clark reviewed the Risk Fund. She stated the value of portfolio is \$2.8 million dollars and the performance is in line with the performance of the Benefits Fund, about 2.5% on a quarter basis, 19.7% on a fiscal year basis and 35.5% on the trailing year with the 7.7% number since inception.

Ms. Clark stated PFM is recommending selling \$200,000 Large Cap Fund and \$50,000 Small/Mid Cap Fund and buying \$200,000 Non-US Developed Fund and \$50,000 Non-US Emerging Fund. Similarly on the Risk Fund, selling \$40,000 Large Cap Fund and \$15,000 Small/Mid Cap fund and buying \$40,000 Non-US Developed Fund and \$15,000 Non-US Emerging Fund.

Mr. Park asked why we are getting out of Domestic Equities if it appears that it will potentially heat up or overheat.

Ms. Clark reported the recommendation is reducing the overweight that is present in the Domestic Equities. She reviewed the strategy with respect to investment management.

Mr. Park asked if staff is considering the prediction of possible super inflation.

Ms. Clark reported stated the best hedge against inflation are Equities. She stated there is a limit at the State Investment Council (SIC) to invest in.

A motion was made to approve the recommendation to rebalance as outlined.

MOTION: T. Ruiz

SECONDED: R. Williams

A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Vigil called roll:

Denise Balderas – Yes

Tim Crone – Yes

Pauline Jaramillo – Yes

Bethany Jarrell – Yes

David Martinez Jr. – Yes

Sammy Quintana – Yes

Ricky Williams – Yes

Chris Parrino – Not present for vote.

Alfred Park - Yes

Vote carried.

9. Risk Matters

9. A TPA Reports

9.A.1 Property & Liability Monthly Claims Report

Mr. Steve Vanetsky, CCMSI, reported on the Property & Liability Monthly Claims Report. He stated for the month of March 2021 there were 311 open claims, 55 new claims and 64 claims were closed. Mr. Vanetsky reported reserves were at \$69,173,779.08, payments were \$20,554,437.51 for a total of \$89,728,216.59.

9.A.2 Property & Liability Large Losses

Mr. Vanetsky reported there was one large loss in Lovington Municipal Schools. He stated eight locations sustained severe wind damage. Mr. Vanetsky stated staff is not anticipating this claim to reach the excess layer, but it will still be significant.

9.A.3 Workers' Compensation Monthly Claims Report

Mr. Jerry Mayo, CCMSI, provided the Workers' Compensation Monthly Claims Report for Districts as of March 31, 2021. He reported during the month of March there were 755 open claims, 125 new claims, 12 claims were re-opened, and 99 claims were closed. Mr. Mayo reported reserves were at \$14,443,393.30 payments were \$49,943,434.55: for a total of \$64,386,827.85.

Mr. Mayo reported on the Workers' Compensation Monthly Claims Report for Charter Schools as of March 31, 2021. Mr. Mayo reported during the month of March, there were 23 open claims, 1 claim was re-opened, and 2 claims were closed. Mr. Mayo reported reserves were at \$831,419.61; payments were \$1,367,388.38, for a total of \$2,198,807.99.

9.A.4 Workers' Compensation Large Losses

Mr. Mayo reported there was a claim out of Las Vegas West Public Schools in which a gust of wind blew a panel and it hit an employee in the left lower leg that caused an amputation. He stated the medical expense and indemnity increase for March was \$88,827.33.

He reported on a claim out of Rio Rancho in which an employee fell and ultimately needed a hip replacement. Medical expense and indemnity increase was a little over \$140,000.

Mr. Mayo reported an employee from Portales Schools slipped and fell from a Tommy Lift and suffered a compound fracture of the ankle. The medical expense and indemnity increase was a little over \$86,000.

9. B Loss Prevention Update

Ms. Julie Garcia, Poms & Associates, reported staff will be sending out a notice to members outlining all the changes because of HB128, to all the Superintendents and HR Directors. She stated she will also be doing a presentation at the School Law Conference the first week of June to go through the changes and requirements under HB128.

Mr. Larry Vigil, Poms & Associates, reported loss prevention activities have picked up. He reported staff has been out at schools looking at playgrounds, cafeterias, gyms, etc. Mr. Vigil stated there are no critical hazards to report, but schools have been storing items and this has created some housekeeping hazards. Mr. Vigil stated staff has recommended schools consolidate or get rid of items which are no longer being used.

Mr. Vigil reported staff has also been monitoring what has been happening with the Rapid Response Program through the NM State Environment Department. He stated there have been a few schools that have been shut down, and there has been an uptick in COVID-19 cases in some districts.

10. Benefits Matters

10. A Temporary Waiver of Premium Payment Penalties and Interest (Action Item)

Mr. Sandoval reported in February of 2021, the Board granted an extension to members allowing a ten-day grace period for premium payment penalties to be revisited in May 2021. He stated the waiver started in April of 2020 and has been reviewed every three months. Mr. Sandoval stated it is the recommendation of staff to renew the ten-day waiver, May 2021 through July 2021, and re-visit in August 2021. Mr. Sandoval reported during the time frame of April 2020 through April of 2021, 8 schools have benefited from the additional ten-day to pay and 3 schools have benefited twice. Mr. Sandoval stated it is the recommendation of the Benefits Advisory Committee to approve this item.

A motion was made to approve the Temporary Waiver of Premium Payment Penalties and Interest.

MOTION: C. Parrino

SECONDED: P. Jaramillo

A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Vigil called roll:

Denise Balderas – Yes
Tim Crone – Yes
Pauline Jaramillo – Yes
Bethany Jarrell – Yes
David Martinez Jr. – Yes
Sammy Quintana – Yes
Ricky Williams – Yes
Chris Parrino – Yes

Alfred Park - Yes

Vote carried unanimously.

10. B Wellness Update

Ms. Katherine Chavez, Benefits and Wellness Operations Manager, NMPSIA, provided a wellness update to the Board. She stated the month of May is Wellness Wealth Month and there is a 10k step challenge that began on Monday, May 1, 2021. Ms. Chavez stated the goal is to walk 10k steps a day and there is a prize drawing for teams or individual competitors.

Ms. Chavez reported the new topic for resiliency series this month is "Setting Boundaries".

Ms. Chavez reported the wellness webinar "Finding Peace" starts on May 12th. Ms. Chavez reported the Livongo Program is now creating a behavior-based program. Eligible members that have qualified to be a part of the program but have not enrolled will be incentivized to participate.

Ms. Chavez reported on the "Motivate Me Wellness Program" through Cigna will now offer an incentive program for healthy behaviors.

Ms. Chavez reported the Wonder Health February session ended with a total of 469 pounds lost with members losing 3.7% of their body weight.

Ms. Chavez reported everything she has reported on can be found on the NMPSIA website.

11. General Discussion

Mr. Park opened a discussion with respect to an in-person annual meeting. He stated the annual meeting is typically held in August, but there have been discussions about the fact that schools start around that time and Board members will be busy.

Mr. Valerio reported in previous discussions it sounds that there is a consensus to hold the annual meeting the last week of July. He stated staff went out to market, and Tamaya can accommodate staff and the Board for meetings with options for virtual participation.

Mr. Valerio reported the NMPSIA Rules state Board Elections must be held at the NMPSIA Annual meeting in August. After consulting with Mr. Esquivel, staff can hold a short annual meeting in August to hold elections either virtual or in-person in addition to the meeting in July.

Mr. Park asked if the new per-diem rates will cover the cost of the hotel.

Mr. Valerio stated Board members can submit actual receipts to receive the total cost of the rooms. They can also choose to take the per-diem rates which were reviewed.

Mr. Valerio reported in the past, the rooms at Tamaya have been approximately \$120.00 per night with the resort fee waived.

Ms. Vigil stated she is working with Tamaya and as soon as room rate amounts are available, it will be conveyed to the Board.

Mr. Valerio explained the committee meeting rooms will be set-up to allow 40 people per room, and the Board meeting will be held in a larger ballroom to accommodate more people.

Mr. Martinez Jr. stated the hybrid option to participate remotely should still be available.

Mr. Park stated the option to attend virtually would definitely be available to all.

Mr. Parrino stated he supports the meeting being held in July and the Election of Officers held in August via zoom.

Ms. Ruiz stated the July dates are perfect. She stated the virtually meeting option in August is great but would like to do it later in the month to accommodate school employees.

Mr. Martinez Jr. asked if the August meeting can be scheduled after 3:00 p.m. to accommodate teachers in the classroom.

Mr. Parrino suggested Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at 3:30 for the virtual meeting.

After discussion, it was decided to hold the August meeting on Thursday, August 19th at a time to be determined.

After discussion, Mr. Park directed staff to proceed with arranging the July meeting on the 28th and the 29th at Tamaya Resort and report back what the details would be.

Ms. Balderas stated because she has an exceptional child, she is happy that virtual meetings are considered and included.

Mr. Park stated it is important to be flexible and he appreciates Mr. Valerio and Mr. Esquivel re-evaluating the by-laws with respect to meetings.

Mr. David Martinez Jr. asked where the new Cooperative Educational Services (CES) is Building located.

Mr. Valerio stated if meetings are held in the fall, staff will reach out to CES and gather all the details.

12. Next Meeting Date and Location

The next regular meeting will be held virtually on Thursday, June 3, 2021.

13. Adjournment (Action Item)

A motion was made to adjourn The NMPSIA Board Meeting at

MOTION: S. Quintana

SECONDED: C. Parrino


A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Vigil called roll:

Denise Balderas – Yes
Tim Crone – Yes
Pauline Jaramillo – Yes
Bethany Jarrell – Yes
David Martinez Jr. – Yes
Sammy Quintana – Yes
Ricky Williams – Yes
Chris Parrino – Yes
Alfred Park - Yes

Vote carried unanimously.

APPROVED:


Mr. Chris Parrino, Vice -President